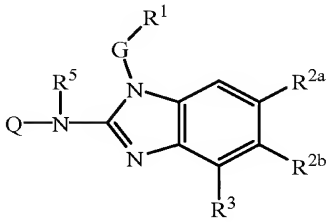
ABSTRACT

5- OR 6-SUBSTITUTED BENZIMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVES AS INHIBITORS OF RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS REPLICATION

The present invention concerns 5- or 6-substituted-benzimidazole derivatives having inhibitory activity on the replication of the respiratory syncytial virus and having the formula



a prodrug, *N*-oxide, addition salt, quaternary amine, metal complex or stereochemically isomeric form thereof wherein Q is Ar^2, R^6, pyrrolidinyl substituted with R^6, piperidinyl substituted with R^6 or homopiperidinyl substituted with R^6, G is a direct bond or optionally substituted C_{1-10}alkanediyl; R^1 is Ar^1 or a monocyclic or bicyclic heterocycle; one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is cyanoC_{1-6}alkyl, cyanoC_{2-6}alkenyl, Ar^3C_{1-6}alkyl, Het-C_{1-6}alkyl, N($R^{8a}R^{8b}$)C_{1-6}alkyl, Ar^3C_{2-6}alkenyl, Het-C_{2-6}alkenyl, Ar^3aminoC_{1-6}alkyl, Het-aminoC_{1-6}alkyl, Ar^3thioC_{1-6}alkyl, Het-thioC_{1-6}alkyl, Ar^3sulfonylC_{1-6}alkyl, Het-sulfonylC_{1-6}alkyl, Ar^3aminocarbonyl, Het-aminocarbonyl, $Ar^3(CH_2)_n$aminocarbonyl, Het-$(CH_2)_n$aminocarbonyl, Ar^3carbonylamino, Het-carbonylamino, $Ar^3(CH_2)_n$carbonylamino, Het-$(CH_2)_n$carbonylamino, and the other one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is hydrogen; in case R^{2a} is hydrogen, then R^3 is hydrogen;
in case R^{2b} is hydrogen, the R^3 is hydrogen or C_{1-6}alkyl. It further concerns their preparation and compositions comprising them, as well as their use as a medicine.